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TUMOR SUPPRESSOR PROTEIN INVOLVED IN DEATH SIGNALING,

AND DIAGNOSTICS, THERAPEUTICS, AND SCREENING BASED

ON THIS PROTEIN

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed March 14, 2001, and in accordance with Rules 142 and 143 of the Rules of Practice, please consider the following election, amendment, and remarks.